



There are now many longtime fans of mine who have already passed 20 years old, gotten married, and even had several kids. Recently, I've been receiving more and more letters stating, "We have named our own child Seiya."

I think "Seiya," if I may say so myself, is a great name. To ensure that those children who have been so named do not become ashamed by it, I shall work hard at my Seiya from here on out!

Kurumada Masami-1988



Masami Kurumada made his manga debut in 1974 with **Sukeban Arashi** (Delinquent Storm), the story of the life of a teenage girl. His first big hit came in 1977 with the popular series **Ring ni Kakero** (Put it All in the Ring). In 1986, he truly hit it big when he created **Saint Seiya** (Knights of the Zodiac), which was first serialized in **Weekly Shonen Jump** magazine, then went on to span 28 volumes, 114 TV episodes, four movies and a video game!

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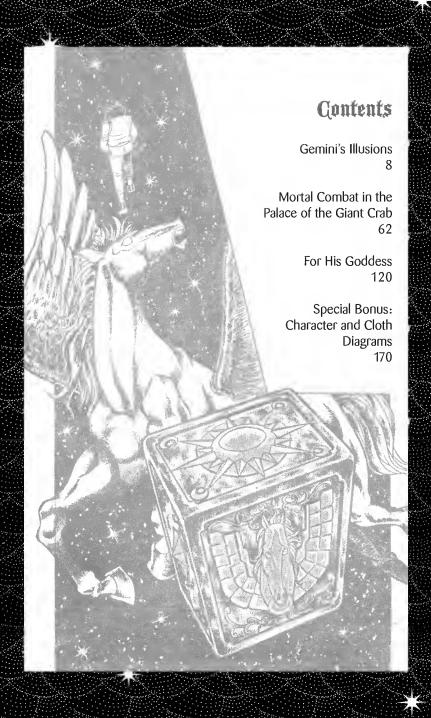


YEARS AGO, THE GOLD KNIGHT AIOROS ENTRUSTED LORD NOBU OF THE GRANDE FOUNDATION WITH THE INFANT PRINCESS SIENNA, THE INCARNATION OF THE GODDESS ATHENA. TO RAISE WARRIORS WITH THE STRENGTH TO FIGHT FOR ATHENA, LORD NOBU SENT HIS OWN 100 CHILDREN OUT INTO THE WORLD TO TRAIN AS KNIGHTS.

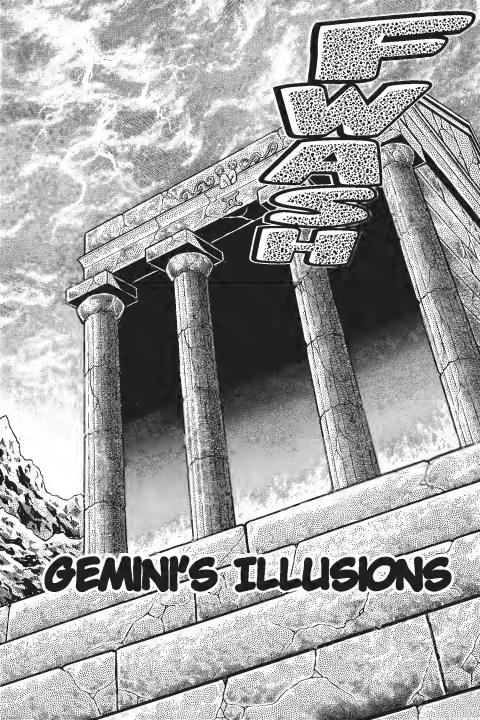
NOW PRINCESS SIENNA, HAVING REACHED MATURITY. HAS AWAKENED AS ATHENA. SHE RESOLVES TO CON-FRONT THE MASTER OF SANCTUARY, HEADQUARTERS OF KNIGHTHOOD, WHO HAS GROWN CORRUPT AND EVIL. ALONG WITH THE BRONZE KNIGHTS SEIYA, SHIRYU, HYOGA, AND SHUN, SHE SETS OFF TOWARD SANCTUARY. AT THE GATES OF SANCTUARY, THE GROUP IS ATTACKED BY TREMY, THE SILVER SAGITTA KNIGHT, WHO PIERCES PRINCESS SIENNA WITH A DEADLY ARROW. TREMY TELLS THE BRONZE KNIGHTS THAT ONLY THE MASTER CAN HEAL THE PRINCESS. TO SAVE HER LIFE, THEY MUST MAKE THEIR WAY THROUGH THE 12 PALACES OF THE GOLD KNIGHTS WITHIN 12 HOURS AND BRING THE MASTER BACK WITH THEM. THE BRONZE KNIGHTS ARE GRANTED PASSAGE BY THE FIRST TWO GOLD KNIGHTS, MU AND ALDEBARAN, WHO HAVE THEIR OWN DOUBTS ABOUT THE MASTER. AT THE THIRD PALACE, HOWEVER, THE MYSTERIOUS GEMINI KNIGHT AWAITS THEM ...

THE STORY THUS FAR

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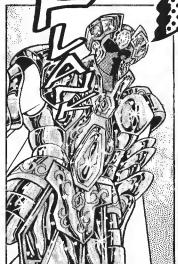










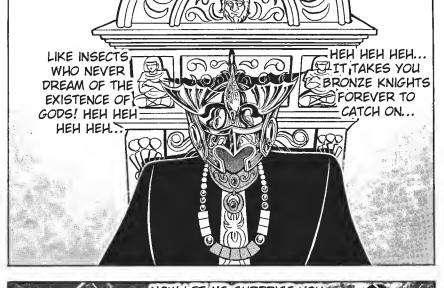


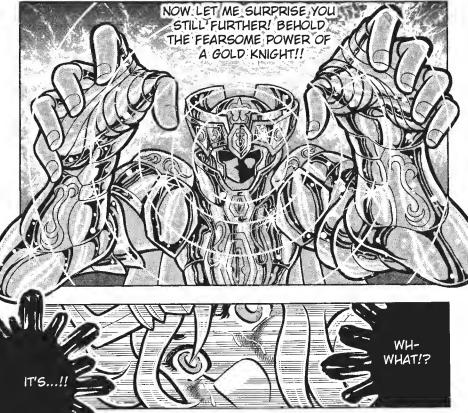




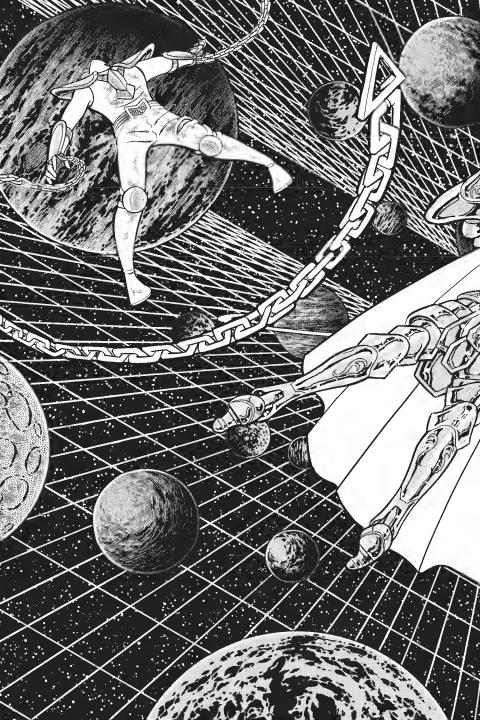




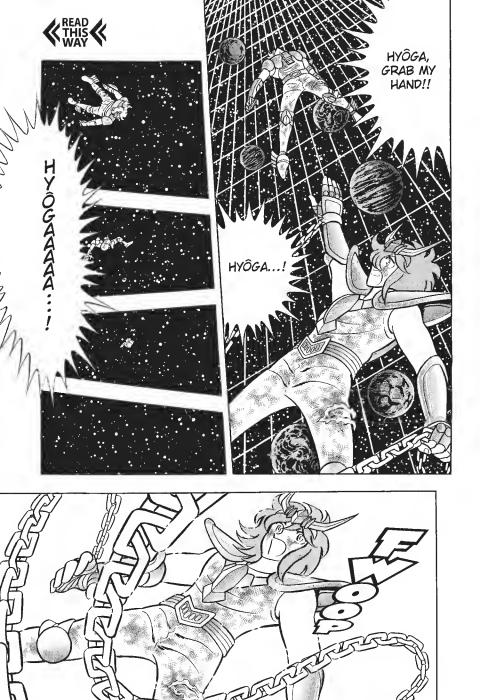


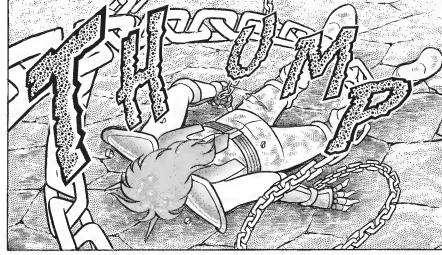






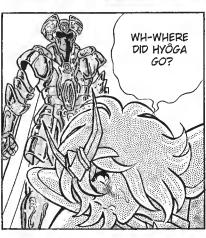


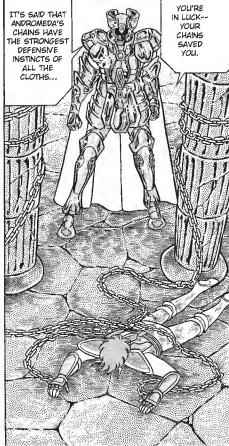








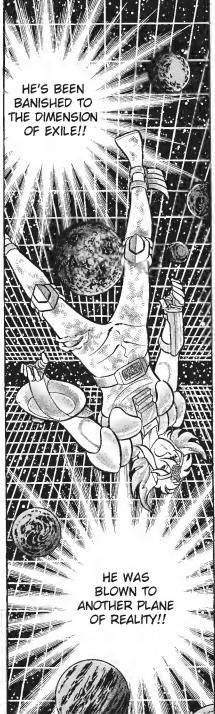










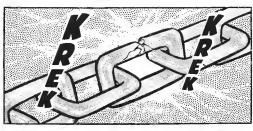






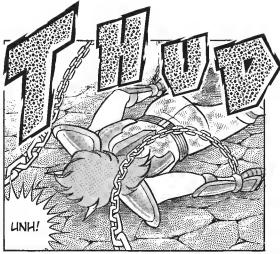








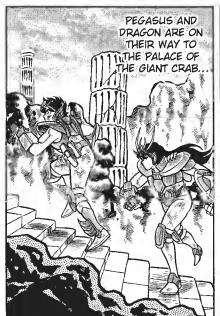


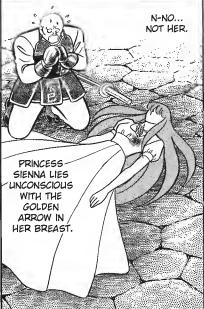












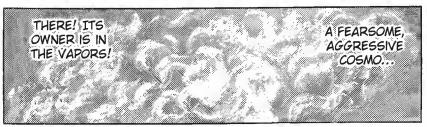








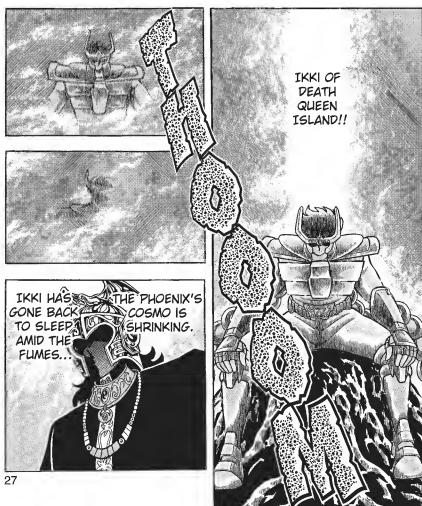


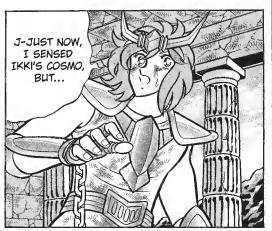










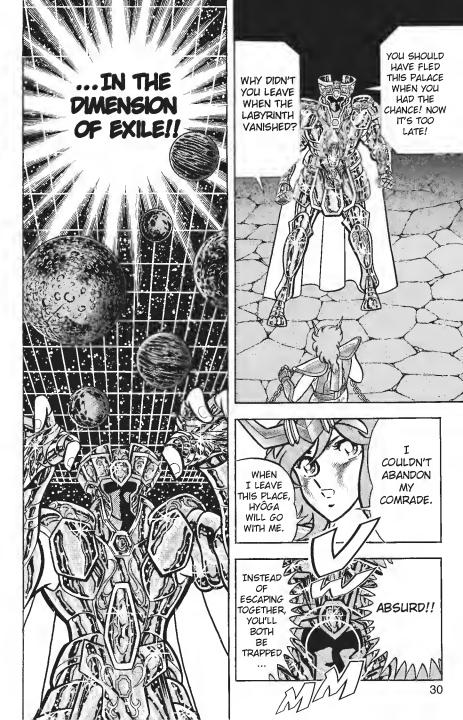


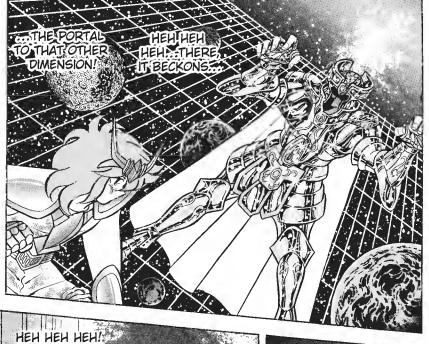




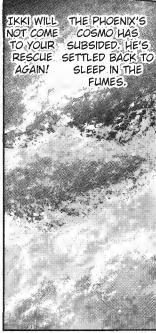












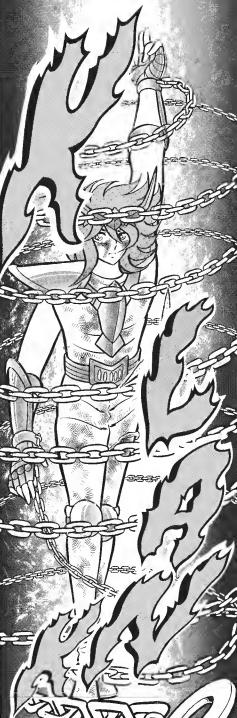




MY DEAR GEMIN! DO YOU KNOW WHY ANDROMEDA HAS TWO CHAINS?



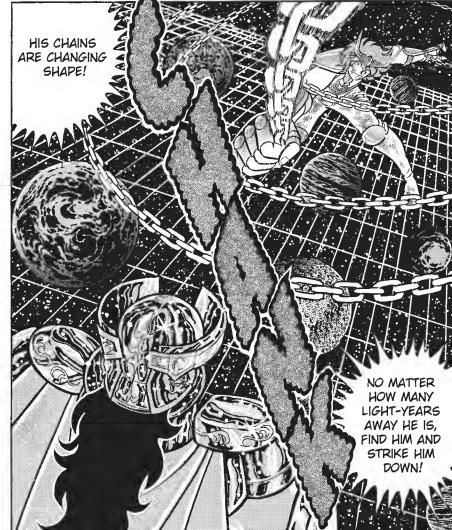








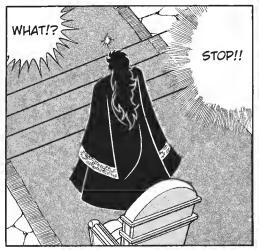












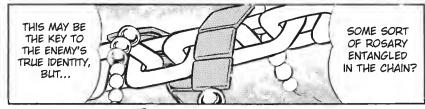


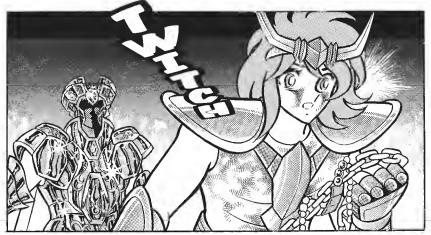










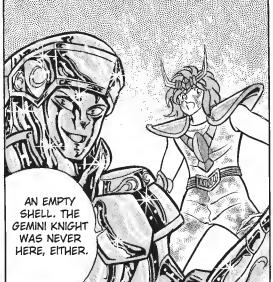


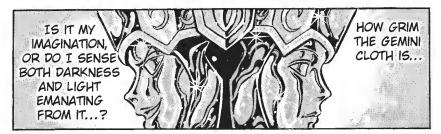
























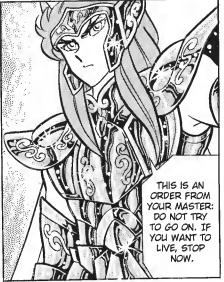


















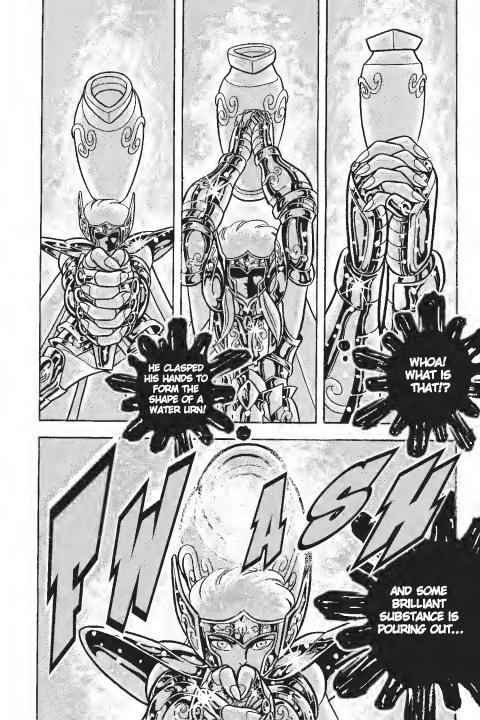




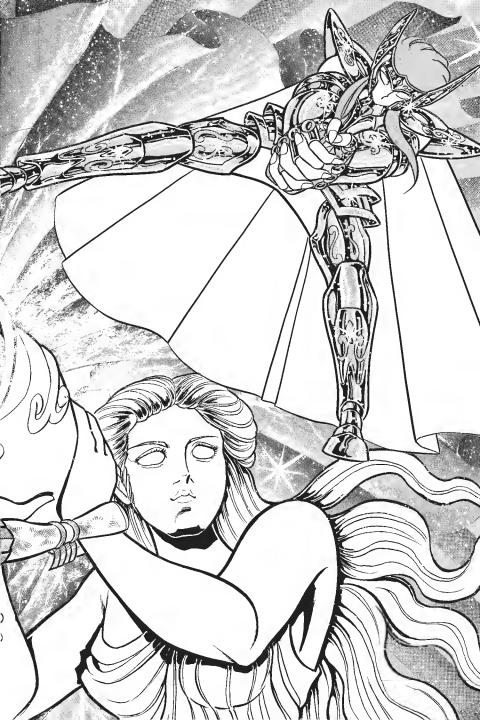




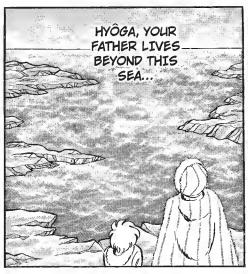






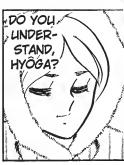


















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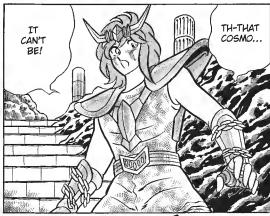


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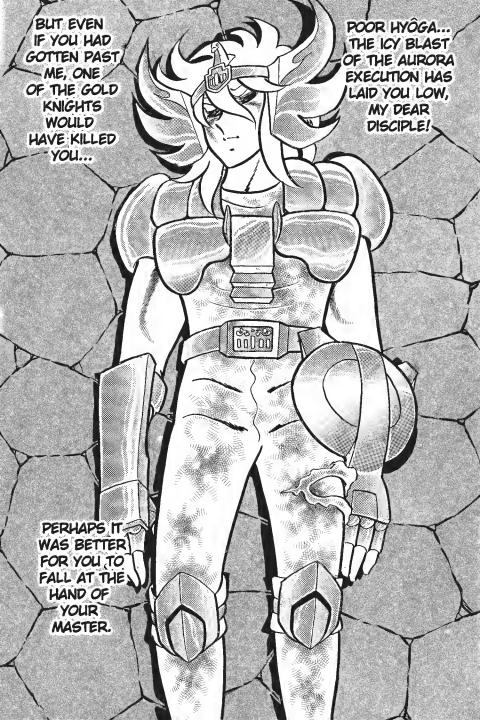


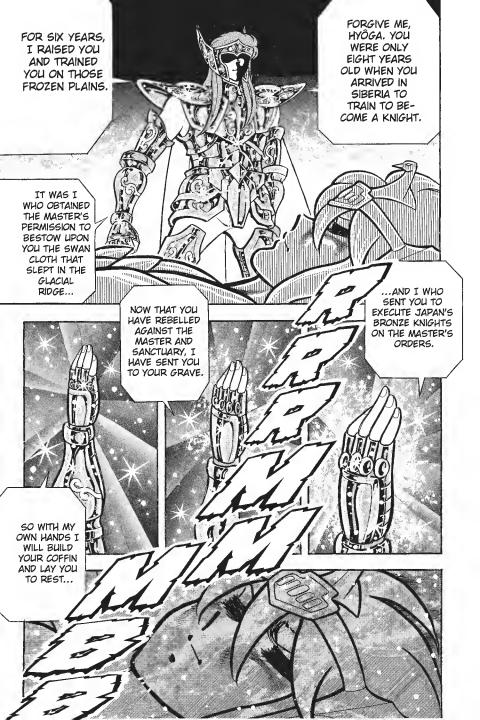












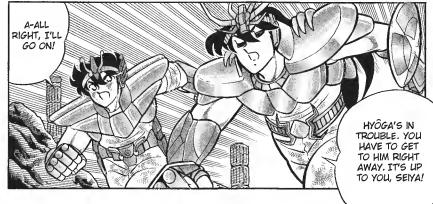




















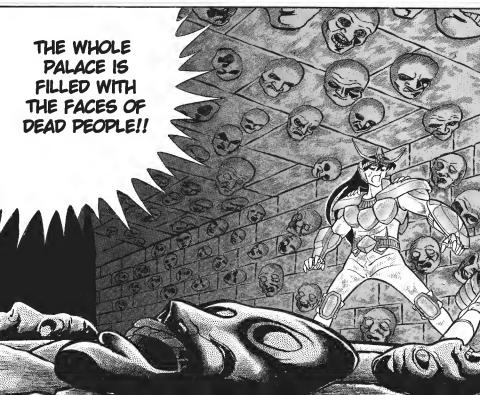




















AS IN ANY WAR, A FEW CIVILIANS GET KILLED. BOMBS GO AWRY. HEH HEH HEH HEH...

THAT YOU KILLED ALL THESE LITTLE KIDS?



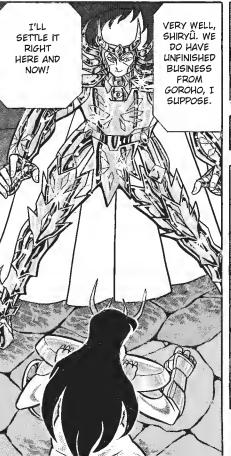
WHO KNOWS?

MAYDE A FEW BRATS
GOT SPLATTERED IN
THE CROSSFIRE WHEN
I WAS DESTROYING MY
ENEMIES -- COLLATERAL
DAMAGE IN MY
WAR ON EVIL.





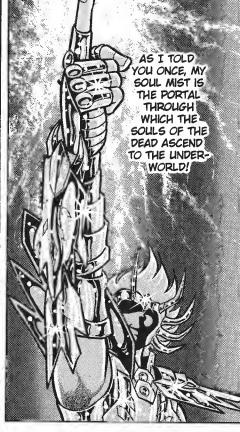












































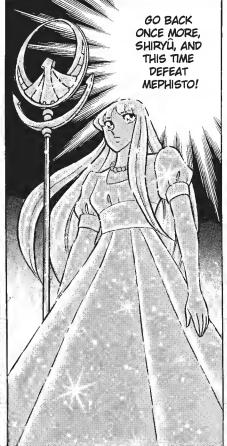




































H-HE REFLECTED IT BACK WITH ONE HAND... MY RISING DRAGON BLOW THAT CAN REVERSE THE FLOW OF THE GREAT WATERFALL..





THERE'S A WORLD
OF DIFFERENCE
BETWEEN GOLD
AND BRONZE.
YOU NEVER REALLY
HAD A CHANCE!



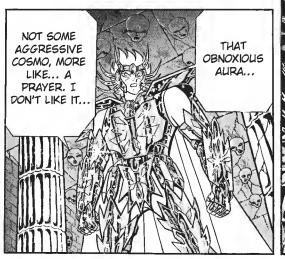




































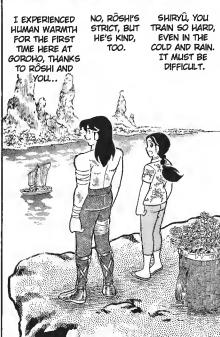












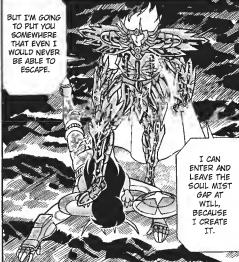








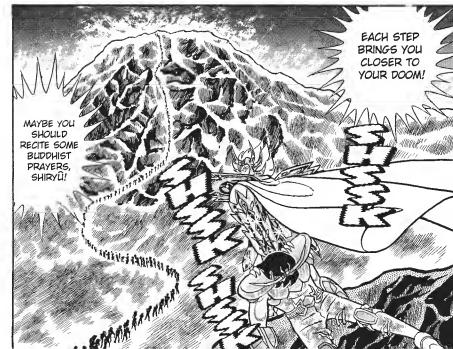
















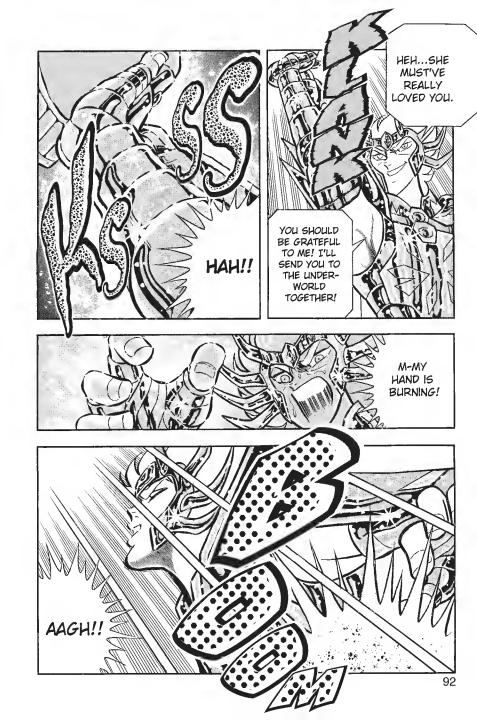


































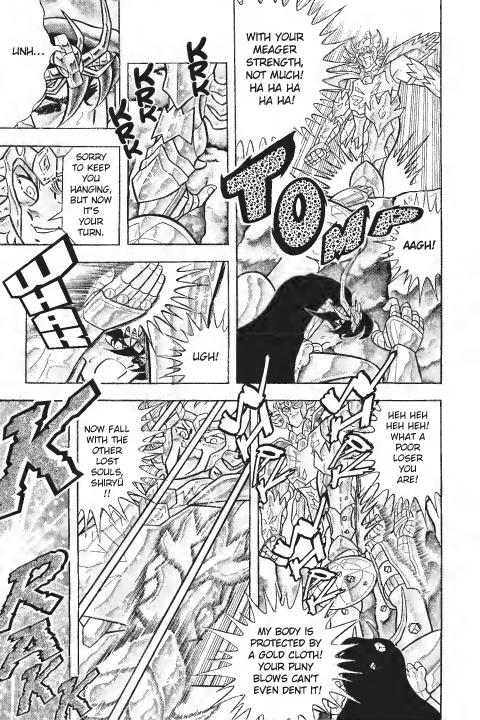
























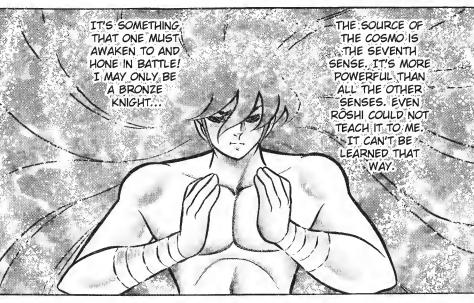


NOW
WE'RE ON
EQUAL
FOOTING!
OUR
COSMOS
WILL DECIDE
THIS FIGHT!









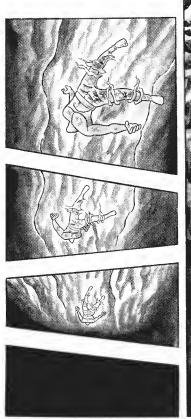










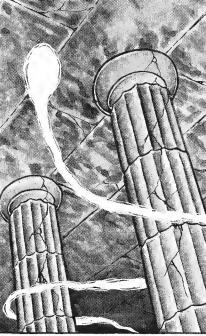


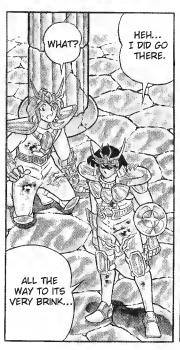


































STIMULATING THE SOURCE OF YOUR LIFE FORCE TO ITS GREATEST EXTENT BROUGHT ABOUT SOME SORT OF MIRACULOUS TRANSFORMATION

THAT APPEARS TO HAVE DONE FOR YOUR EYES WHAT NO TREAT-MENT OR MEDICINE COULD DO.

IN ORDER TO DEFEAT MEPHISTO YOU RAISED YOUR COSMO TO THE LEVEL OF A GOLD KNIGHT'S.

Mary Manual Mary Mary Mary

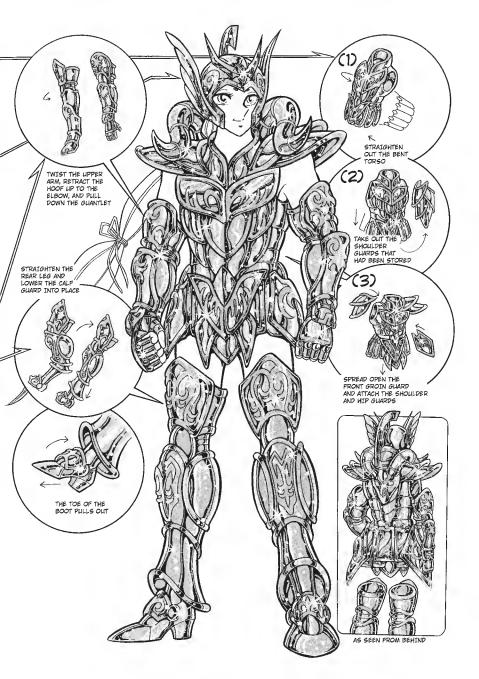




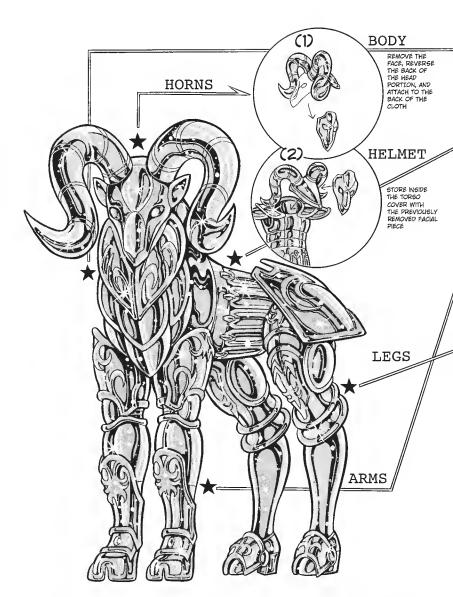




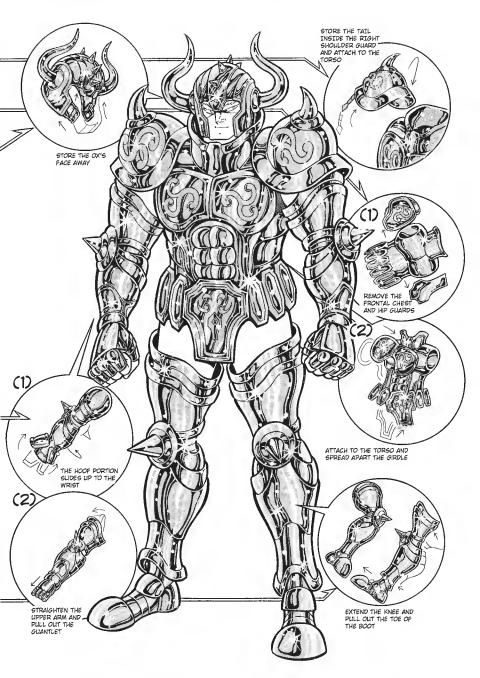




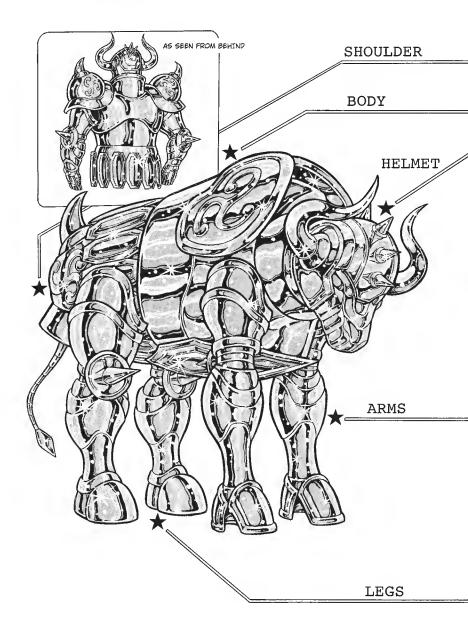
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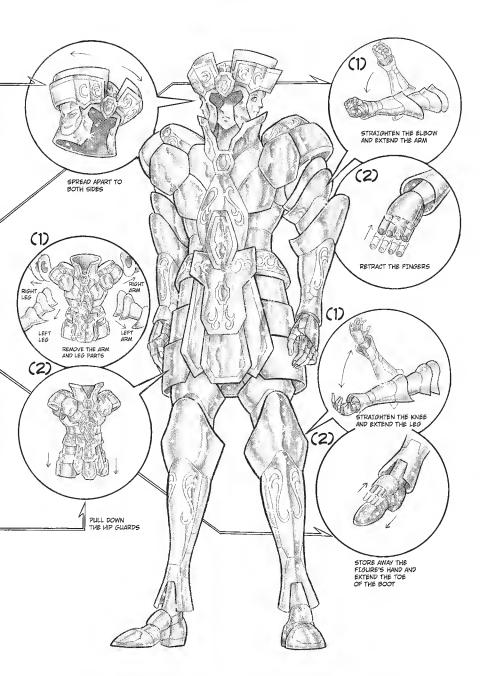
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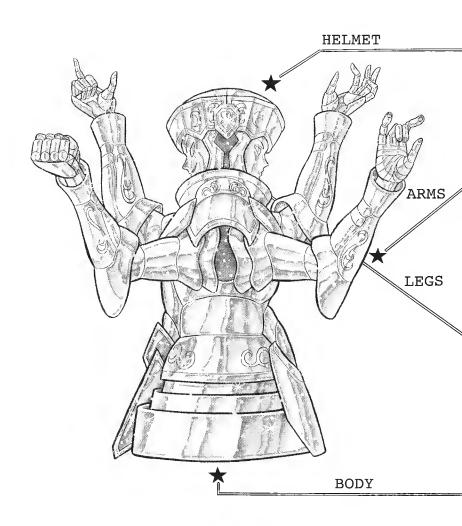
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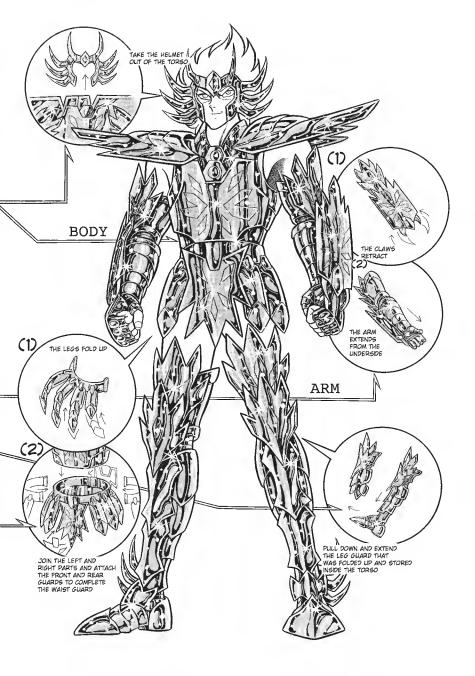
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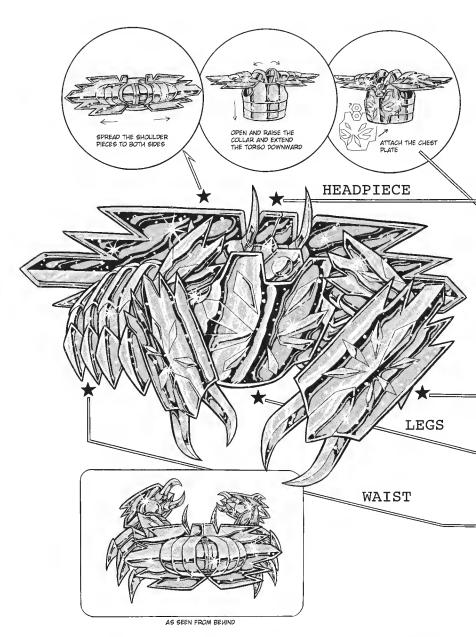
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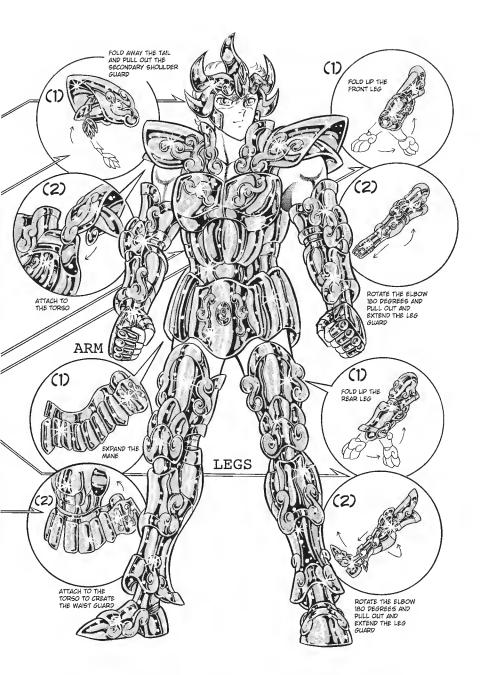
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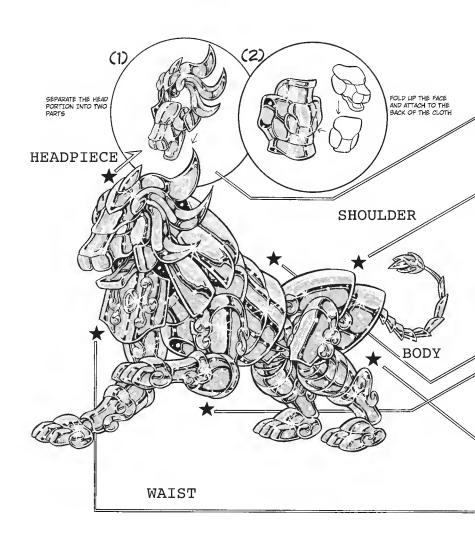
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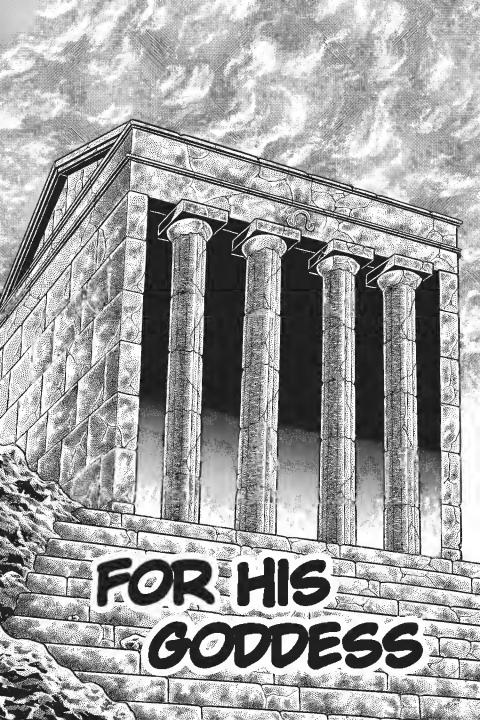
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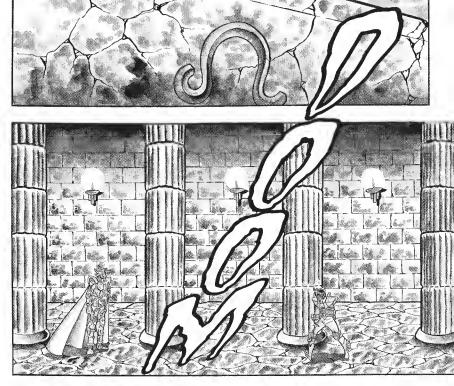


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#### THE LEO CLOTH















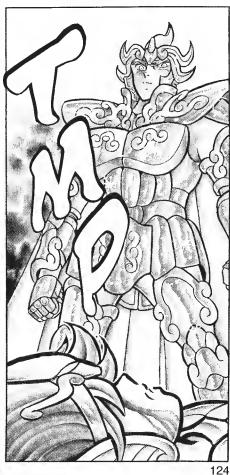


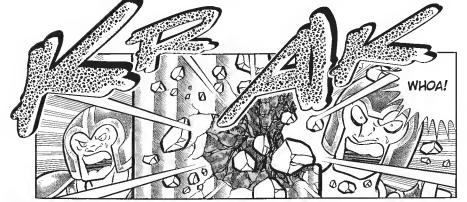






































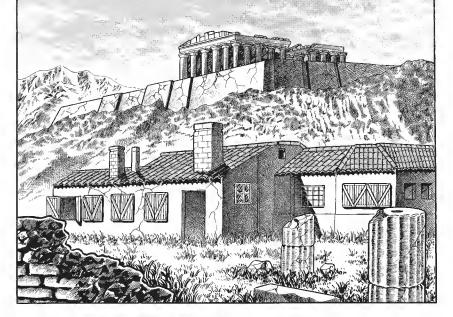












I KNOW
YOU'VE BEEN
STAYING UP
ALL NIGHT
NURSING ME
FOR DAYS.
THANK YOU
CASSIOS.



ARE YOU
AWAKE, SHINA?
YOUR WOUNDS
SEEM MUCH
BETTER.











THEN HE SHOULD BE SAFE, FOR THE PRESENT.



AIORIA'S PALACE...

DON'T BE
TOO SURE.
HE'S NO
LONGER THE
AIORIA HE
WAS.

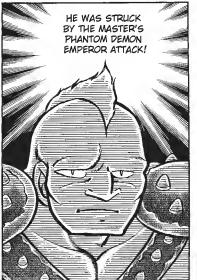


AIORIA KNOWS
OF THE MASTER'S
TREACHERY AND
HAS SWORN
LOYALTY TO
ATHENA. HE'S
SEIYA'S ALLY...

THE
PHANTOM
DEMON
EMPEROR
ATTACK?
DOESN'T
THAT TAKE
OVER ITS
VICTIM'S
MIND?



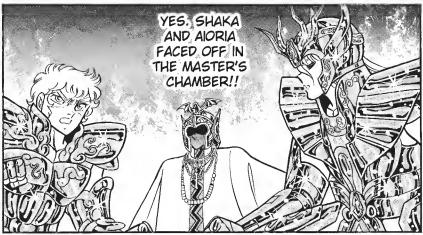






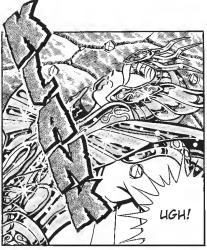








































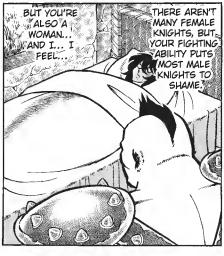


















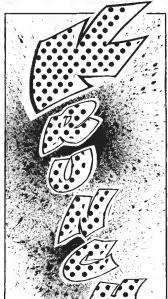






FINAL BLOW

MAKE THE FUN LAST?













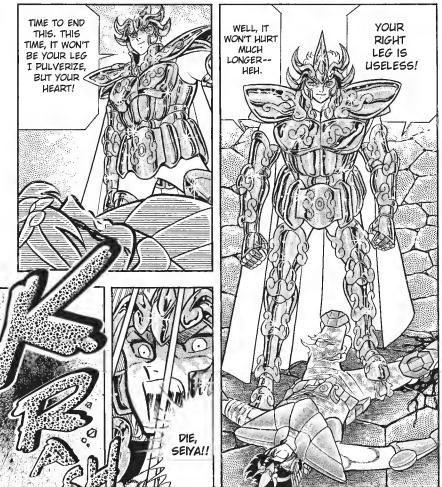












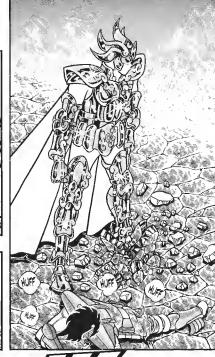






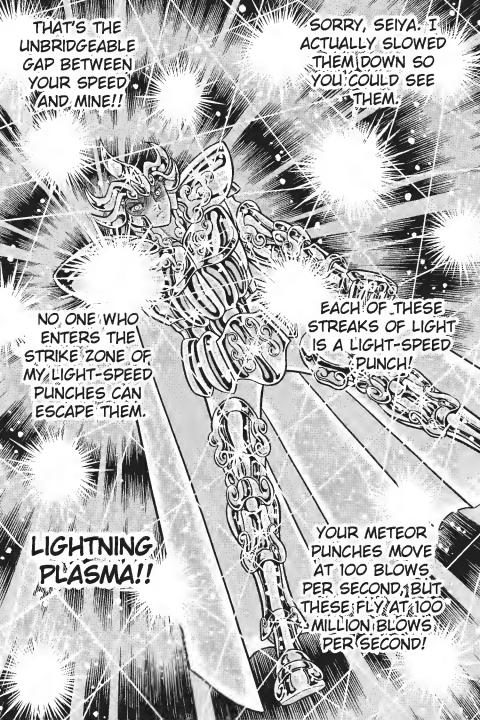
PUNCHES.

































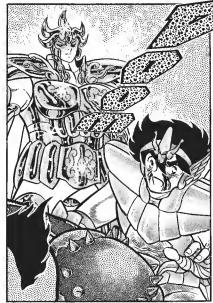




















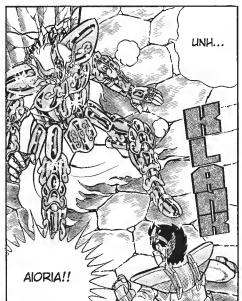


















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